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Dear Reader:

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is pleased to provide you with this copy of the Comprehensive Management Plan (Plan) for the Union Slough National Wildlife Refuge (Refuge). The Plan and its supporting documents describe a vision for long-term improvement and use of the Refuge. They specify how the Refuge watershed can become a model of sustainability showing how modern successful agriculture and natural areas can thrive side by side.

Active community participation and support will be vital to the future of the Refuge. We invite you to learn - from this Plan and from visits to the Refuge - more about the Refuge, its purpose and potential, and to become involved in making it all that it can be.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service would like to thank all the people who participated in the planning and public involvement process.

Sincerely,

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